1	2	3
	Cheetal skin wet uncured	2
	Jungle cat mounted on wooden base . . .	1
	Eagle stuffed mounted on wooden stand . .	1
	Black buck horn	4 pcs
	Ibex uncurred skin	1
9-12-94	Leopard skin (uncured)	6 Nos.
	Leopa d skull & bones	3 kg.
10-1-95	Leopard skin (cured)	3 Mos.
	Leopard skin (uncured)	2 Nos.
28-1-95	Desert fox skin	796 Pcs.
	Desert cat skin	212 Pcs.
	Jungle cat skin	8 Pcs
	Domestic cat skin	2 Pcs
18-2-95	Live monkey (Rhesus monkey)	2 Nos.
19-2-95	Alaxandrine parakeet	190 Nos.
	Hill Myna	79 Nos.

Project Tiger

404. SMT. KAMLA SINHA:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) when the Project Tiger was launched in the country and how many tiger reserves were established under the project:

(b) what is the percentage of decline in tiger population since 1989 till date;

(c) what is the estimated number of tigers which have died (i) of natural death (ii) due to illness, and (iii) killed by poachers;

(d) whether any critical review of Operation Tiger has been made to know how far the project has achieved the object;

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Project Tiger was launched in 1973 with the establishment of 9 (nine) tiger reserves. The number of re-reserves has now risen to 23 (twenty three) over 14 states.

(b) The census figure for tiger was 3750 in 1993 as against 4334 in 1989 showing a decline of 12·7 per cent since 1989.

(c) Due to the elusive nature of wild animals and presence of scavenging animals in the forests, the carcasses of free ranging tigers that die

of old age or due to illness, are seldom seen and for this reason, exact number of such deaths are difficult to document. As per available reports, the number of tigers killed during the year 1993 by poachers is 15.

(d) and (e) This Ministry has constituted a high level committee in October, 1994 to evaluate the achievement of Project Tiger with respect to its mandate and activities.

राष्ट्रीय प्राकृतिक विज्ञान संग्रहालय में वन्य प्राणियों की खालें

405. **श्री शिवप्रसाद चनपुरिया :** क्या **पर्यावरण और वन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) राष्ट्रीय प्राकृतिक विज्ञान संग्रहालय, दिल्ली में कितने वन्य प्राणियों की खालों का संग्रह है ;

(ख) उपर्युक्त संग्रहालय में किन-किन प्रायणियों की कितनी-कितनी खालें कब से संग्रहित हैं ;

(ग) इन में से किन-किन प्राणियों की कितनी-कितनी खालें विकृत अथवा नष्ट हो गई हैं ;

(घ) इन खालों की सुरक्षा तथा रख-रखाव पर प्रति वर्ष कितनी राशि व्यय की जा रही है; और

(ङ) क्या मंत्री जी ने इन खालों की स्थिति को देखा है; यदि हां तो कब ?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल नाथ) : (क) और (ख) वर्ष 1972 के बाद से राष्ट्रीय प्राकृतिक विज्ञान संग्रहालय में 175 वन्य प्राणियों की खालें प्राप्त हुई हैं। ये खालें शेर, हिरण, हाथी, बाघ एवं बन्दर जैसे वन्य प्राणियों की हैं।

(ग) तेंदुए एवं सफेद बाघ के बच्चे की एक-एक खालें गुम हो गई बताई जाती हैं तथा तिलक मार्ग पुलिस स्टेशन में 11-3-1991 को प्रथम सूचना रिपोर्ट लिखाई गई थी ;

(घ) इन खालों के परिरक्षण एवं अनुसरण पर प्रतिवर्ष लगभग 5000/-रु० का आवर्ती खर्च हो रहा है।

(ङ) प्रदर्शित की गई खालों को समय-समय पर पर्यावरण एवं वन मंत्री जी तथा मंत्रालय के अधिकारियों द्वारा संग्रहालय के उनके दौर के समय देखा जाता है तथापि, संग्रहालय में खालों के रख-रखाव को एक प्रणाली है।

Allotment of reserved forest land to a private temple trust

406. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL:
DR. SANJAYA SINH:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report captioned 'Lions's den gifted to temple' appearing in the 'Times of India' dated the 15th January, 1995 regarding allotment of 52 acres of reserved forest land to a private Temple Trust; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the deal and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A report was called for from the State Government of Gujarat in this regard which has been received and is under examination by the Ministry. Further, the Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat have, on a Special Civil Application filed against the allotment of the land, ordered on the 3rd February, 1995 that the status quo be maintained.